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SUBJECT: APPARENT IMPOSTOR CLAIMING TO BE HEAD OF STATE'S SON

REF: STATE 46517 (NOTAL)

1. REFTEL (DEALING WITH NORTH AMERICAN ZONAL COMMITTEE TO BLACK ARTS FESTIVAL) QUOTES DAN MATHEWS, OF WASHINGTON TASK FORCE ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS, AS SAYING HE IN CONTACT WITH QTE GENERAL OBASANJO'S ELDEST SON STUDYING IN U.S. UNQTE. BIO INFO AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY INDICATES HEAD OF STATE HAS FOUR CHILDREN: TWO BOYS, AGES 4 AND 2 RPT 4 AND 2 (OR PERHAPS A YEAR OR TWO OLDER); AND TWO GIRLS, AGES 6 AND 5 (OR PERHAPS A YEAR OR TWO OLDER). LAGOS CONSULAR SECTION HAS NO RECORD OF AN OBASANJO SON OBTAINING VISA (IN PAST FOUR YEARS AT ANY RATE).

2. REQUEST IBADAN, AND KADUNA AND LONDON CHECK FILES FOR ISSUANCE OF SUCH A VISA. IT SEEMS IMPROBABLE TO EMBASSY THAT OBASANJO, AGED 38, HAS PREVIOUSLY UNKNOWN SON AGED AT LEAST 21 YEARS (AS HE WOULD HAVE TO BE IF VISA ISSUED MORE THAN FOUR YEARS AGO). IF CHECK OF FILES PROVES NEGATIVE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH WARN MATHEWS EXERCISE CAUTION AS HE DEALING WITH APPARENT IMPOSTOR.

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